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LOK SABHA

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SICK ANIMAL POPULATION
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the comparative figures of ratio between animal and human population in India and other countries;

(b) whether the Government maintain figures about sick animal population;

(c) if so, the number thereof, State-wise; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a): The comparative figures of ratio between animal and human population in India and other countries are at Annex-I.

(b): No, Sir.

(c): Question does not arise.

(d): Animal Husbandry, including Disease Control is a State subject. Central Government supplements the efforts of the State Governments in disease control by way of providing grants-in-aid under Centrally Sponsored Schemes.However, under the animal Disease Surveillance component of the scheme, `Assistance to States for Control of Animal Diseases`, State Governments submit the information only on infectious/contagious disease incidences and animals affected on monthly basis to the Department. According to this information, a total of 278153 animals have been affected due to various infectious/contagious diseases during 2001 in the country.